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The Most BAFFLING DISAPPEARANCE MYSTERY

The afternoon of December 12, 1910, Miss Dorothy Arnold, 24 years old, went on a shopping tour for the afternoon. It is known she entered a book store on Fifth avenue, where she was known and made some purchases. Since then she has never been heard from.

A graduate of Bryn Mawr and daughter of the millionaire importer, Francis R. Arnold, 102 East Seventy-ninth street, New York, Miss Arnold had every reason to be satisfied with her condition. With all the luxuries millions could buy at her command it is unbelievable she would willingly leave home never to return. Of high education and strong mentality the idea she suddenly became insane is ridiculous.

That she was kidnapped by white slavers is also scouted because of her prominent position in the affections of one of the rich and powerful men of New York who could turn loose the machinery of every detective agency on both sides of the Atlantic to recover his daughter. White slavers would not dare touch the daughter of Francis R. Arnold. The theory she was held for ransom was quickly shattered because none asked for a ransom. The theory she had eloped with some man she admired was advanced, but it met with emphatic denial from her parents and all her associates, who said she had no attachment for any particular man unless she might be in love with George C. Griscom, a wealthy Pittsburg bachelor, but Griscom didn't know anything more about the girl than anyone else. Had she wished to marry him she could have done so openly in spite of family opposition as she was of age.

Of all the theories advanced none of them were proven correct. Dorothy Arnold is still lost as far as the world knows, although District Attorney Jackson of Pittsburg was quoted as saying recently she was in a house of mystery in Pittsburg and later she was in her father's home dying.

Newspaper reporters were invited to the Arnold house in New York to search the premises. They could not find Dorothy Arnold and they could not find her in Pittsburg. The aged father denounced those who had started the report she had undergone an illegal operation in a Pittsburg sanitarium.

The fact that Mrs. Arnold is in Europe also tended to break down any idea that the girl is at home, as the mother would not be in Europe if her daughter is dying.

Not a single article reminiscent of the girl remained in the rich, old fashioned home, when reporters searched it.

In Dorothy's own room, which she left the morning she vanished into the unknown, on the walls hung a number of old prints of the style of forty years ago and in one corner stood a stand of books. The notable feature of the room were two brass beds—twin beds—glittering new. Near by was a heavy mahogany desk with a few books upon it. Not a trace of the girl was there and it was evident that the heart-broken family had striven to shut out from their eyes the tragedy which has plainly blighted the home.

After the inspection of the house the four servants were questioned. One of them, an "old retainer" named Maggie, said she had been with the family since before Dorothy was born.

"Have you ever seen Miss Arnold since that day, more than three years ago, when she disappeared? Has she ever been in the house since?" she was asked.

"Never," she said with great positiveness. "I have never seen her or heard a word of her."

"I wish I had," she went on. "If I ever saw her, I'd hold on to her. She'd never get away from me again."

Arnold explained that his wife, broken down by grief, had left New York for Europe in November. "That should be enough," said he. "Would her mother leave her child dying, and go away to another land?"

IMMENSE REWARDS OFFERED FOR NEWS OF DAUGHTER.

When Dorothy Arnold disappeared her parents kept the secret, calling in none but private detectives to search for her. It is reported the girl had a quarrel with

her parents, but if such is the case the outside world never heard of it. Failing to find the girl quietly, Arnold asked the newspapers to help. For once the newspapers were unable to find a clue. Usually there is someone in the world who will tell secrets, but there were none to tell of Dorothy Arnold. She had dropped out of sight so completely the only explanation is witchery and we do not believe in witches any more.

Arnold offered \$10,000 for information concerning his daughter. He thought that was enough to tempt any man who knew of her. All he wanted was information. He wanted to know if she had been

searched for.

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kill or not. If he ever got the information he sought, he told no one. This great world of talkers was silent for once in its life. Arnold today asserts he does not know where his daughter is. She is now

28 years old if she is living. The entire civilized world has been searched for her. Descriptions of her have been sent broadcast so it seems impossible for her to be so completely lost.

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At top, Dorothy Arnold. Lower left, Francis R. Arnold. Lower right, Mrs. F. R. Arnold.

see his daughter again and his hope of finding her alive is gone. Yet he will grasp at every opportunity to find a trace of her. Men coming to his home with clues are politely received by Arnold's agents. Their stories are heard and if there is a remote possibility of truth, the stories are investigated as though they were gospel truth.

Francis R. Arnold is seventy-seven years old. A few years ago his friends were wont to compliment him on his appearance. He did not look as old as he was. Today he looks to be more than his age. His long search for his daughter has broken his health. Mrs. Arnold too is broken in health.

If Miss Arnold was kidnapped the kidnappers had their plans well made. She was a young girl in the best of health. She could easily have put up a strong fight in case she was attacked and could have called for help. Her departure from her home to go on a shopping tour was on a bright afternoon. Fifth avenue was crowded. The kidnappers, if kidnappers did capture her, had to operate under the eyes of the police and before crowds of shoppers. To transport her out of the city at any time would have been a remarkable feat. Under the conditions they would have had to rush her to some place nearby which had been arranged before hand. To accomplish the feat would have required several men. It is possible they could have inserted a poisoned needle in her arm and drugged her. That theory has been advanced by the police. Kidnapers may have taken her without realizing she was an heiress, recognizing only a beautiful girl they wanted.

What she has undergone since her capture can only be conjectured. She may have been killed outright. She may have been kidnapped and

after she was able to escape decided not to do so because of the horrible experience she underwent causing her to wish never to return again to her people. She may have decided to hide herself forever in the place to which she was taken against her will.

If it were not for the fact the girl had no reason for running away the elopement theory is the most reliable. The man with whom

she eloped may have killed her, or she may have died in his company and he feared to tell the world. It may be she tired of her riches and life of ease and fled to some remote corner of the world. The police are positive she could not have hidden in the United States for three years, as every policeman in the country had a description of the girl planted firmly in his brain and was on the lookout for her.